GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3709
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SEARCH FOR AMERICAN FLIERS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the USA has made any request to seek Indian Air force assistance to search American fliers missing over the Indian side of the Himalaya during World War-II;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the decision taken by the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The request relates to seeking Indian assistance to search for American fliers missing over Indian territory during World War-II.

(c) We are awaiting certain details from the US Embassy. No decision has therefore, been taken, as yet.